

The Sporting Picture

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A Sporting Personality

THE PERSONALITIES that one meets in the course of following athletic competition are material enough for a book or even several volumes of very interesting reading, but there happens to be a young gentleman now in the athletic field at Carolina today who makes a very interesting story that will just fill Wednesday morning's column.

His story is one that could reach the tear jerking level if you let it run away with you, but might be better told the way he would want it told if he let you tell it at all. The fellow in question is Marvin Wilson, currently fighting at the 121-pound weight for the grapplers of Coach Chuck Quinlan.

Wilson has the born spirit of the competitor, the will to win and if that is not possible, the will to do as best as one can. He has all the qualities of the great athlete with the exception of one very important one—the physical component. Infantile paralysis hit Wilson at an early age and left, as it does with many, the scar of a crippled limb.

Three Lettermen

BUT IT TAKES MORE THAN that to stop some people and Wilson proved to be one of these. He worked to overcome his handicap and did the job well enough to letter in three sports at the local Chapel Hill high school. He did it in football, though to meet him on the street you couldn't picture him as a high school end prospect. He was noted for his hustling spirit and could tackle with the precision of the best of his teammates. In baseball he was a catcher of better than average talent, could handle the best of pitchers and threw runners out at second with amazing consistency, even if some of the pegs took an occasional bounce on the way. To say he hit his weight won't be much of a compliment to this light-limbed light-hearted lad, but he did do some creditable deeds with the willow.

Basketball was the third of Wilson's high school letter achievements and he played this sport like the rest. "I was a point a minute man in those days," he will say, "but for the time I played it was easy."

A Switch to Wrestling

UPON HIS ARRIVAL at the University which was merely a walk across town, Wilson looked over the athletic field and found that the three sports at which he was most proficient were a little out of his class. Then he stumbled upon wrestling where the local man gets the same chance at glory as the fellow even twice his size. This was for him.

Wilson had wrestled but one match before this current year and that was a few years back when he got the call to take the mat against traditional rival Duke, which is quite an assignment for the first outing. But Wilson took it in stride as he almost did his Blue Devil opponent, losing only by a close decision.

Since that time Wilson has grappled on and off for Quinlan. This year he again resounded to the call to the canvas and is back at the 121-pound spot for the Tar Heels. In his first five encounters this season, Wilson has been forced to contend with many of the South's best wrestlers who unfortunately for the Chapel Hillian are stacked at the opening weight. This rugged competition has left Marvin victorious, but he is still to be reckoned with in the remainder of the Tar Heel meets and Southern Conference tourney that follows.

Wilson has only had his shoulders touched to the mat once in his collegiate career, and that feat was accomplished last weekend by Rock Meyer of VMI, the current conference champ. According to Wilson, it was the first time he had been pinned since he was a baby.

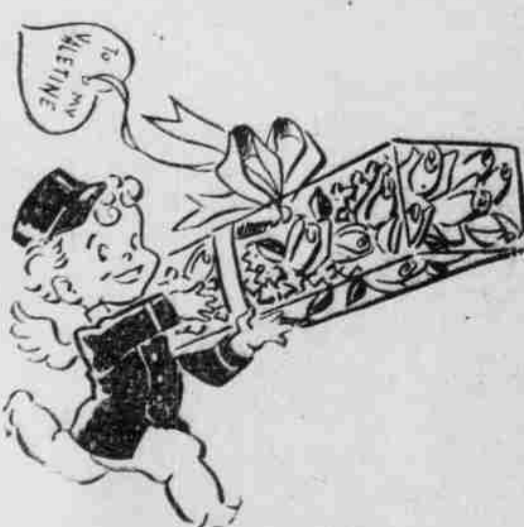
Confine Him Not

WILSON DOES NOT CONFINE his athletic activities to wrestling though, and has branched out into other corners of the sporting picture. His other achievements include: one-time intramural boxing champion, an assortment of mural wrestling crowns, runner-up title in the campus ping-pong championship, and the ability to currently hit the double figures regularly with his fraternity basketball team. He plays exceptional checkers too.

Last year though, Wilson received one of the campus' highest awards, the Intramural department's cup for leading fraternity intramural manager which in laymen's language means the manager who has done the most to further the mural program in his respective organization.

Besides all of this, Wilson can challenge anyone for the title of No. 1 Tar Heel sports fan. A Tar Heel born and bred he is the son, grandson etc. of University alumni, and therefore is well versed in the spirit and tradition of the college. He takes a Carolina loss as much to heart as the ruling coach does.

So, hats off to a great competitor whose will to play has helped to move himself over a serious obstacle and upward on the athletic ladder and higher still in the estimation of Tar Heel sports fans.



FLOWERS at VALENTINE

We go our way The Cupids say, To bring Her Lovely flowers. His standard test To buy the best— To see that They are ours!

UNIVERSITY FLORIST PICK THEATER BUILDING

Local Wrestlers Encounter Duke Matmen Here Tonight

Paxton, Dillon, Cole, Kohler, Nearman Pass Century Mark in Tar Heel Scoring

Statistics on Carolina's 1947-48 basketball team reveal that five players have already passed the century mark in the matter of points scored in the 19 games played to date. Captain Bob Paxton heads this select group, having tallied 233 points thus far to compile an average of 12.3 per game. Norm Kohler follows with 154 markers for a record of 8.1 points in each contest.

Rounding out the top five are Center Nemo Nearman, 134; John (Hook) Dillon, 120; and King Cole, 106. Cole is the newcomer to the group. He dropped in 11 points against Duke this past Saturday to go over the 100 mark.

Other Scoring
Other members of the squad

State Ducats
The Athletic Association announced late yesterday afternoon that the students who were entitled to priority for tickets for the State game on February 1, were not picking up their ducats at a very fast rate of speed.

All tickets that are not picked up by Saturday will be given to any student with a passbook on the first come first serve basis.

The ticket office is open daily from 9 to 1 and 2 to 5, on Saturday the office is open from 9 to 1.

Mr. Rebound Leads With 223 Points; Cagers Work For Terp Game Friday

and their point totals are Coy Carson, 67; Roger Scholbe, 51; Fred Swartzberg, 35; Taylor Thorne, 31; Dan Nyimiez, 18; Mark Nathan, 7; and Fred Ryan, 4.

Bill Miller, who was declared ineligible at midseason, counted 70 points in the games in which he saw action.

In rolling to 16 wins and just three losses, Coach Tom Scott's charges have amassed a total of 1038 points, giving them an average of 54.6 points per game. The opposition has gotten but 816 tallies against Carolina, or about 42.9 per game.

One More at Home
Six games remain on the Carolina schedule, and only one of these is a home affair. State will play here on February 21 in that final tilt on the Wool-

len gym court. All the remaining games are conference contests. The Phantoms have a 7-1 loop record now.

Coach Scott's outfit will get its next test on Friday night against the University of Maryland up in College Park. Carolina beat the Old Liners in the first meeting here, 70-46, but Coach Scott is expecting considerably more trouble in this return match. Maryland teams have always been hard to beat on their home court, and several Carolina clubs have been upset on that court in previous years. On Saturday night, Carolina will move to Williamsburg, Va. to meet William and Mary.

The team will leave on Thursday night by train on their northern swing.

Monogram Meeting Highlighted by Talk By Coach Bob Fetzer

The honor of wearing a North Carolina Monogram, highlighted the address to the Monogram club last night, by Coach Bob Fetzer. The occasion was the initiation of some 27 men who had made their letters in Fall sports.

Coach Bob reminded the letter winners of the true spirit of athletics and competition. After his brief speech, President Bill Pritchard and Mr. Fetzer presented the new men with their charms, certificates, codes and membership cards.

Committees were assigned for the spring Blue-White football game and Pritchard also selected an Executive committee made up of Gus Johnston, Jett Greenbaum and Bob Seligman. This group along with the officers will serve as a backbone for the organization.

The new constitution for the club is expected to be ready within two weeks and the next meeting will give all members a chance to hear just what the new document contains.

In order to give members more time, the weekly meeting schedule has been changed to every two weeks. Pritchard hopes that this will enable more men to attend the regular business sessions. The meetings will be held hereafter on every other Tuesday evening at 7:30. Gatherings will be in 304 Woollen until the clubhouse is ready.

Badminton Match Off Because of Weather

The badminton match slated for Monday night with Burlington fell victim to the inclement weather and was postponed until next Wednesday night.

When the two cities met last quarter, the Chapel Hill shuttlecock chasers came out on top. The locals have a 2-2 record in league play for the season.

Mural Results

BASKETBALL	
32 SAE 1	Pi Lamb 2 18
46 KAI 1	Kap Sig 2 9
20 Zeta 3	ATO 1 11
50 Seiler Five	Alex. 1 18
25 BVP 1	Old East 22
38 Everett 2	Aycock 2 15
43 Hillers	Skyscrapers 25
36 Phi Kap 2	Phi Gam 2 32
29 TEP 2	PiKA 2 16
61 Sig. Chi 1	Kappa Sig 3 16
27 Lewis 3	Graham 2 19
62 Blackballs	Whitehead 1 14
37 Grads	Comets 27
27 Graham 1	Wels. Rockets 24
34 Field House	Lewis 1 15
18 Geol. Dept.	Old West 17
40 Fireballs	Hut 26 11
48 Mangum	Stacy 20
36 Nash	Hut 8 34
HANDBALL	
2 TEP	Phi Delt 1 1
3 Phi Delt 2	Zeta 2 0
3 Roaches	Ruffin 0

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Blue Devils Boast Unbeaten Record; Carolinians Ready After Tough Trip

Returning home from a four-day road trip which included meets with Washington and Lee and VMI in Lexington, Virginia, Carolina's mat crew made preparations yesterday to meet Duke's grapplers here in Woollen gym tonight at eight o'clock.

The last meet on the regular schedule, tonight's tussle may be the last chance for local mat fans to see Coach Quinlan's defending Southern conference champions in action.

The Duke squad, currently sporting an undefeated record of two victories and a tie, is captained by 121-pounder Mike Kusturiss, undefeated thus far in conference competition. The only other undefeated member of the Blue Devil crew is 145-pounder Jack Wamsley.

Falcone Coach
Coached by Carmen Falcone, the Blue Devils defeated Maryland, 19-6, Georgia Tech, 26-6, and worked to a 14-14 tie with State.

Other members of the Bull city crew expected to see action against the Tar Heel men are Bob Clark, 128 pounds; 136-pounder Joe Orzano; Garrett Billmire, 155-pound wrestler; Dick Harrison, wrestling in the 165-pound class; John McMAsters, at 175; and either Bill Boardman or Lynn Dellenbarger in the unlimited class.

As a result of their meets with Washington and Lee and VMI the local lads are sporting a record of three victories against two defeats. The defeats were at the hands of the surprisingly strong Generals and VPI. The three victories were chalked up against State, Davidson, and VMI.

W&L Meet
The meet with Washington and Lee Monday night showed that the Lexington musclemen will be

the team to beat in the Southern conference tournament come March. The Generals' team is composed of six freshmen, all with outstanding wrestling backgrounds, plus several outstanding men.

Phil Kemp and Oscar Gupton suffered their first defeats of the season in the W and L tilt. Both Kemp and Gupton lost their matches by very small margins. Another first time loser was 136-pound Tom Urquhart.

It was also the first loss for "Old Granddad" Bluthenthal, but it was only his second match of the year. His initial victory came in an overtime contest with VMI.

The only remaining undefeated member of the Blue and White crew is team captain Bill Kemp, who averted a washout in the last match by decisioning W and L's Metzler.

Miller Traded

The veteran shortstop Eddie Miller will be getting his mail in care of the Philadelphia Phillies from now on. Or at least, he will until he feels inclined to blast the Philly management as he did that of the Cincinnati Reds.

The smooth fielding Miller was traded to the Phils yesterday in exchange for outfielder Johnny Wyrostek and cash. How much, no one knows. This completed the portion of the deal left hanging last December 12 when the Reds shipped infielder-outfielder Bert Haas to the Phils for Righthander Tommy Hughes.

BABE DIDRIKSON ZAHARIAS
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WALTER DRIVER, AN AUSTRALIAN, HIT A BASEBALL 505 FT. 2 IN. WITH A FUNGO STICK; THE RECORD—KEN SILVESTRI HIT THE LONGEST HOME RUN, 538 FT.—CRAIG WOOD HOLDS THE GOLF RECORD; HE HIT ONE 430 YDS.

Gonzales Decides on American Play; Dodds Forced Out of Indoor Running

SWIMMING TRIALS
Time trials for the intramural swimming tournament in the individual events will be held today and tomorrow from 5 to 6 o'clock in Bowman Gray pool.

POLICE SLAY GAMBLING CZAR AS EDITOR ESCAPES DEATH
PHILIP REED AND HILLARY BROOKE
BIG TOWN AFTER DARK
Richard Travis
Anne Gillis
Wino Brough
Jack Sawyer
Douglas Mackley
Charles Arni

DODDS OUT FOR YEAR
Boston, Feb. 10—The mile will be a wide open event in the remaining indoor track meets this winter. The head man—Gil Dodds—is out for the rest of the season.

Dodds, who broke his own record for the indoor mile when he toured the 11 laps at Madison Square Garden in four minutes, five and three-tenths seconds two weeks ago, has the mumps. He was taken to the hospital yesterday. Today, doctors gave him a thorough examination and announced that Dodds will be unable to compete for the rest of the winter season.

McMILLIN TO LIONS
Detroit, Feb. 10—It's rumored that Indiana's Bo McMillin will step in as coach of the Detroit Lions of the National Football league.

TODAY
CAROLINA

Two things every college man should know!

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